

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2163 - SB 2559

March 4, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a defendant's social history be included in the defendant's presentence report.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- After a court accepts a guilty plea or a verdict of guilty, Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-35-205 requires a presentence service officer to make a presentence investigation and report to the court.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 40-35-207 requires the presentence report to include the defendant's physical and mental history and condition, family history and background, education, occupation, and personal habits.
- The proposed legislation would add the defendant's social history to those items that must be included in the presentence report.
- Presentence service officers are employed by the Department of Correction. The department can include the defendant's social history in presentence reports within existing resources.
- The proposed legislation will not significantly impact the policies or operations of the department.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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